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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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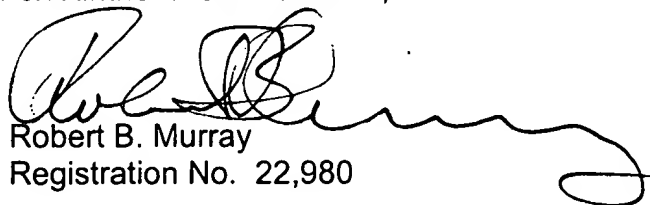
Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 16, 2002, the applicant hereby elects Group (II, namely claims 8 and 9, drawn to a composite article, for prosecution in the present application. This election is made without traverse, and the non-elected claims are retained for the time being, pending consideration of the possibility of filing a divisional application directed thereto.

Early and favorable action on the merits is awaited.

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